

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment 1 to HB0447

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1773

House Bill No. 447*

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by deleting subsection (a) of Section 4 of the bill as amended and by substituting instead the following:

(a) No later than July 1 of the year after this act takes effect the department shall establish a demonstration program that conforms to the requirements of this part and carries out its purposes in at least three but no more than five areas of the state selected by the department. The multi-level response system shall be designed to protect children from maltreatment through the effective use of available community-based public and private services. The program should be staffed by case managers and other personnel and child protective services investigators as called for in this part. There shall be at least one area in each grand division of the state. Areas may be composed of any combination of one or more counties. No later than July 1 of the second year after this act takes effect the demonstration program shall be expanded to include a total of no less than ten areas of the state selected by the department. No later than July 1 of the fifth year after this act takes effect the program shall be implemented in all areas of the state. To facilitate accomplishment of the purposes of this part the department shall establish a state advisory committee composed of representatives from the offices of the commissioner of correction, education, health, human services, and mental health and developmental disabilities, the commission on children and youth, and any other state or community-based public or private agency or office that the department determines serves children or families in ways that might be used in the demonstration program. The department shall pursue the creation of such interagency agreements permitted by law as will enable the department to accomplish the purposes of this part.

AND FURTHER AMEND by inserting the language “in writing” between the amendatory language “shall assist the department on request” and the amendatory language “if the department determines” in Section 10 of the bill as amended.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the amendatory language “shall make a written report to the department” and by substituting instead the language “shall make a written report on a standardized check-off form developed by the department and the Tennessee district attorneys general conference to the department” in Section 10 of the bill as amended.

AND FURTHER AMEND by inserting the following language at the end of the amendatory language of subsection (f) of Section 11 of the bill as amended:

Unless otherwise ordered by court, or to the extent that such information is used for criminal prosecution, or to the extent required under the Tennessee rules of criminal procedure after criminal charges have been filed, any portion of shared information that does not become part of a court record shall remain confidential to the same extent as information not shared by the department remains confidential.